



PRESS RELEASE

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## New cancer publication for French-speaking cancer professionals launched on World Children's Day

On United Nations World Children's Day, we are pleased to announce the publication of *Cancer Control Francophone 2021*, which is focused on pediatric cancer.

This is a unique collaboration between the Sanofi Espoir Foundation and Global Health Dynamics to provide French-speaking cancer professionals in developing countries with a publication that makes their research and initiatives available to colleagues in the Francophone region. This has long been considered an unmet need.

Over a 130 individual authors from Francophone developing countries such as Senegal, Mali, Congo, Morocco, Cameroon, and Tunisia have contributed to *Cancer Control Francophone 2021*. Professor Eric Bouffet from the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto, Canada, and a past-President of SIOOP (Société Internationale d'Oncologie Pédiatrique/International Society of Paediatric Oncology), has written the introduction. Francois Desbrandes, Head of the My Child Matters program, has coordinated the commissioning of the editorial.

Our authors cover the complete spectrum of cancer care, with chapters on setting up and running effective programs, cancer risk factors, diagnosis and detection, cancer treatment, education and e-learning, cancer registries, and support mechanisms for patients and carers.

Cancer Control Francophone 2021 can be accessed and downloaded for free at [www.cancercontrol.info](http://www.cancercontrol.info) and at [www.fondation-sanofi-espoir.com/](http://www.fondation-sanofi-espoir.com/)

*"Pediatric cancers account for less than 1% of all cancers but are one of the leading causes of death among young children, especially in low- and middle-income countries. Reasons include lack of information, screening conducted too late, and difficulties in accessing care and treatment. Many initiatives are taken by professionals to improve the situation in these countries; we believe there are some amazing examples in francophone countries that should be recognized and could serve the entire pediatric oncology community. This is the aim of this publication and we hope Cancer Control Francophone 2021 will help by sharing experiences and building strong networks across the continents in order to give every child an equal chance of survival,"* **said Valerie Faillat, Head of the Sanofi Espoir Foundation**

### **About the Sanofi Espoir Corporate Foundation**

Created in 2010, the Sanofi Espoir Corporate Foundation aims to reduce inequalities in health in France and internationally. Its actions aim to improve the health of the most vulnerable populations, particularly children. These serve the Foundation's vision of a world in which everyone has a chance to be born, grow and maintain their health. This ambition covers four strategic areas: maternal and neonatal health, pediatric cancers in low- and middle-income countries, access to healthcare for the most vulnerable populations in France, and responding to humanitarian crises. Find out more at: <http://fondation-sanofi-espoir.com/en/>

### **About the “My Child Matters” program**

The “*My Child Matters*” program acts as a catalyst in caring for children with cancer in developing countries. It provides financial support and expertise to ensure that all children have access to diagnosis and treatment. Through this program, the Foundation is also helping to increase the number of trained healthcare professionals, with more than 30,000 beneficiaries to date. Fifteen years after being launched, it has already provided care for 100,000 children and supported more than 80 projects in some 60 countries, with two-thirds of these projects now located in the lowest-income countries. “*My Child Matters*” is recognized in the pediatric oncology community for its catalyzing role in the care of children with cancer in developing countries.

### **About Global Health Dynamics**

Global Health Dynamics is a global health publisher specializing in cancer care in low- and middle-income countries and the worldwide spread of antimicrobial resistance. Among its publications are the *Cancer Control* and *AMR Control* series. Global Health Dynamics works at all levels with governmental organizations, international NGOs, health ministries, the private sector and many other global healthcare partners to address unmet needs and underserved populations in global healthcare. To find out more information visit: [www.globalhealthdynamics.co.uk/](http://www.globalhealthdynamics.co.uk/)

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